

Randolph Public Library

Trustees' Meeting, Mon Sept 16th, 2019, 6.30pm

Present: Denise Demers, Steve Teczar, Heather Wiley and Yvonne Jenkins (librarian)

Absent: Steve Fisher, Jan Halvorson

1. Steve made a motion to approve the minutes, Denise seconded, all were in favor.

2. Treasurer's Report

There was no report available as the treasurer was not present tonight.

3. Librarian's Report

- The NH Automated Information System (NHAIS) Interlibrary Loan System will go live on October 8th. Yvonne will be doing the online mandatory training on Wed, Sept 25th and Thurs Sept 26th. All of the current holdings have been uploaded to the new system.

- The Stephen Collins program on Herman Melville was attended by 25 people. Rebecca Brown's presentation had 21 attendees.

- The Old Library book shop has seen very slow sales. Yvonne proposed a book/yard sale (weather permitting) on Sunday Sept 29th at the old library from 1-4pm, with "Fill a Bag of Books" for \$5. People could bring personal items for selling or donate up to 5 items to the library table. Items should be brought to the old library at noon. Any leftover items would be brought to St Vincent de Paul charity store in Berlin for donation. Steve offered to help.

- There is still no clear way to dispose of books left over from the summer sale. Denise offered to contact a friend associated with the Brown Company Barn in Berlin to check if our donations would be welcome.

- There will be a cider pressing demonstration at the library on Wed, Sept 18th at 4pm. The public is invited to bring a container for cider, or some of their own apples for pressing.

4. Friends' Report

Plans are underway to have all Friends' information put onto an Excel spreadsheet.

5. Review of the Meeting Room Policy

After lengthy discussion about the purpose of a meeting room and the Policy regarding its use, the trustees determined the Library does not have a meeting room. All agreed the White Mountain Room is an integral part of the Library, housing part of the main collection and serving as a place for Library and Town sponsored events. In conclusion, a policy was deemed no longer appropriate to the mission and goals of the Library. Anyone needing a meeting room for any purpose should be encouraged to reserve the small meeting room or the Cross Room in the Town Hall through the Selectmen's Office. Denise made a motion to eliminate the Meeting Room Policy, Steve seconded, all were in favor.

6. The Trustee Orientation workshop will take place on Sat, Oct 5th from 10.30-2pm at the Gorham Public Library. Both Denise and Heather have registered to attend.

7. Old, Continuing and Other Business

The trustees agreed that the Margaret Hilles Meiklejohn lecture series idea was a good one by which to honor Meg. Yvonne felt that the electric car charging station may incur an unpopular cost to

the Randolph taxpayers and may be best postponed until if and when the town invests in solar energy. More discussion should follow in the months to come. The trustees were interested to hear ideas from the Friends also.

The review of the policy for collection development will be discussed next month. The next meeting will be held on Mon, Oct 21st at 6.30pm.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 7.45pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Wiley, Secretary